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BEFORE THE BOARD OF VOCATIONAL NURSING AND PSYCHIATRIC TECHNICIANS DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Case No.

ACCUSATION

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

JENNIE MUNCH, AKA JENNIE STANFIELD, AKA JENNIE LEIGH STANFIELD, AKA

JENNIE LEIGH HIATT 28348 Adrienne Street 16

Murrieta, CA 92563 17

Vocational Nurse License No. VN 201392

Respondent.

Complainant alleges:

PARTIES

Teresa Bello-Jones, J.D., M.S.N., R.N. ("Complainant") brings this 1.

Accusation solely in her official capacity as the Executive Officer of the Board of Vocational

Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians ("Board"), Department of Consumer Affairs.

On or about October 10, 2002, the Board issued Vocational Nurse License 2.

Number VN 201392 to Jennie Munch, also known as Jennie Stanfield, Jennie Leigh Stanfield,

and Jennie Leigh Hiatt ("Respondent"). The vocational nurse license will expire on April 30,

2010, unless renewed. 28

STATUTORY PROVISIONS

	3.	Section 2875 of the Business and Professions Code ("Code") provides, in
pertinent part,	that the	Board may discipline the holder of a vocational nurse license for any
		ticle 3 (commencing with section 2875) of the Vocational Nursing Practice
Act.		

- 4. Section 118, subdivision (b), of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the expiration of a license shall not deprive the Board of jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary action during the period within which the license may be renewed, restored, reissued or reinstated. Under section 2892.1 of the Code, the Board may renew an expired license at any time within four years after the expiration.
 - Section 2878 of the Code states, in pertinent part:

The Board may suspend or revoke a license issued under this chapter [the Vocational Nursing Practice Act (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 2840, et seq.)] for any of the following:

- (a) Unprofessional conduct. . .
- (j) The commission of any act involving dishonesty, when that action is related to the duties and functions of the licensee.
 - Section 2878.5 of the Code states, in pertinent part:

In addition to other acts constituting unprofessional conduct within the meaning of this chapter, it is unprofessional conduct for a person licensed under this chapter to do any of the following:

- (a) Obtain or possess in violation of law, or prescribe, or except as directed by a licensed physician and surgeon, dentist or podiatrist administer to himself or herself or furnish or administer to another, any controlled substance as defined in Division 10 of the Health and Safety Code, or any dangerous drug as defined in Section 4022.
- (b) Use any controlled substance as defined in Division 10 of the Health and Safety Code, or any dangerous drug as defined in Section 4022, or alcoholic beverages, to an extent or in a manner dangerous or injurious to himself or herself, any other person, or the public, or to the extent that the use impairs his or her ability to conduct with safety to the public the practice authorized by his or her license.

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Falsify, or make grossly incorrect, grossly inconsistent, or (e) 1 unintelligible entries in any hospital, patient, or other record pertaining to narcotics or dangerous drugs as specified in subdivision (b). 2 Section 4060 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, 3 No person shall possess any controlled substance, except that furnished to 4 a person upon the prescription of a physician, dentist, podiatrist, optometrist, veterinarian, or naturopathic doctor pursuant to Section 3640.7, or furnished 5 pursuant to a drug order issued by a certified nurse-midwife pursuant to Section 2746.51, a nurse practitioner pursuant to Section 2836.1, a physician assistant 6 pursuant to Section 3502.1, a naturopathic doctor pursuant to Section 3640.5, or a pharmacist pursuant to either subparagraph (D) of paragraph (4) of, or clause (iv) 7 of subparagraph (A) of paragraph (5) of, subdivision (a) of Section 4052. 8 Section 11173, subdivision (a), of the Health and Safety Code provides: 8. 9 No person shall obtain or attempt to obtain controlled substances, or 10 procure or attempt to procure the administration of or prescription for controlled substances, (1) by fraud, deceit, misrepresentation, or subterfuge; or (2) by the 11 concealment of a material fact. 12 COST RECOVERY 13 Section 125.3 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may 9. 14 request the administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a violation or 15 violations of the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation 16 and enforcement of the case. 17 DRUGS 18 "Demerol" is a brand of meperidine hydrochloride, a derivative of 10. 19 pethidine, a Schedule II controlled substance as designated by Health and Safety Code section 20 11055, subdivision (c)(17), and is a dangerous drug within the meaning of Code section 4022, in 21 that under federal law it requires a prescription. 22 "Vicodin" is a compound consisting of 5 mg. hydrocodone bitartrate also 11. 23 known as dihydrocodeinone, and 500 mg. acetaminophen per tablet, a Schedule III controlled 24 substance as designated by Health and Safety Code section 11056(e)(4), and is a dangerous drug 25 within the meaning of Code section 4022, in that under federal law it requires a prescription. 26

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- 12. "Clonazepam" is a Schedule IV controlled substance as designated by Health and Safety Code section 11057(d)(7), and is a dangerous drug within the meaning of Code section 4022, in that under federal law it requires a prescription.
- 13. "Temazepam" is a Schedule IV controlled substance as designated by Health and Safety Code section 11057(d)(29), and is a dangerous drug within the meaning of Code section 4022, in that under federal law it requires a prescription.

FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Obtain, Possess and Self-Administer Controlled Substances in Violation of Law)

- 14. Respondent's vocational nurse license is subject to discipline under Code section 2878, subdivision (a), on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, as defined in Code section 2878.5, subdivision (a), as follows:
- a. On or about October 21, 2006, while employed and on duty as a licensed vocational nurse at Corona Regional Medical Center in Corona, California, Respondent did the following:
- Respondent obtained Demerol, a controlled substance, by fraud, deceit, misrepresentation or subterfuge, in violation of Health and Safety Code section 11173, subdivision (a), by taking the drug from hospital supplies for her own personal use.
- Respondent possessed Demerol, a controlled substance, in violation of Code section 4060.
- iii. Respondent self-administered Demerol, a controlled substance, without direction from a licensed physician, surgeon, dentist or podiatrist.
- Between June 17, 2005, and June 18, 2005, while employed and on duty as a licensed vocational nurse at Riverside County Regional Medical Center in Moreno Valley,
 California, Respondent did the following:
- Respondent obtained Demerol, a controlled substance, by fraud, deceit, misrepresentation or subterfuge, in violation of Health and Safety Code section 11173, subdivision (a), by taking the drug from hospital supplies for her own personal use.

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- Respondent possessed Demerol, Vicodin, Clonazepam, and Temazepam controlled substances, in violation of Code section 4060.
- Respondent self-administered Demerol, a controlled substance, without direction from a licensed physician, surgeon, dentist or podiatrist.

SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Use of a Controlled Substance - Danger to Others)

section 2878, subdivision (a), on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, as defined in Code section 2878.5, subdivision (b), in that, on or about October 21, 2006, while working and on duty as a licensed vocational nurse at Corona Regional Medical Center, Corona, California, Respondent self-administered Demerol, a controlled substance, to an extent that it impaired her ability to practice vocational nursing safely.

THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Commission of Dishonest Acts)

- 16. Respondent's vocational nurse license is subject to discipline under Code section 2878, subdivision (j), in that Respondent committed dishonest acts as follows:
- a. On or about October 21, 2006, Respondent obtained Demerol, a controlled substance, by signing it out for patients on sign-out sheets when there was no physician's order for Demerol for those patients, as more fully set forth in paragraph 17, subparagraphs a through f, below.
- b. Respondent claimed that, while working as a licensed vocational nurse for SunPlus Home Health Services in Ontario, California, she had visited and treated a patient at his home on March 13, 2006, March 14, 2006, and March 15, 2006. In fact, the patient was away from his home during that time.
- c. Between June 17, 2006, and June 18, 2006, while working as a licensed vocational nurse at Riverside County Regional Medical Center in Moreno Valley, California, Respondent took vials of Demerol from hospital supplies for her own use, as more fully set forth in paragraph 14, subparagraph (b)(i), above.

FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Grossly Inconsistent or Unintelligible Entries in Facility or Patient Records)

17. Respondent's vocational nurse license is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 2878, subdivision (a), on the grounds of unprofessional conduct as defined in Code section 2878.5, subdivision (e), in that on or about October 21, 2006, while working as a licensed vocational nurse at Corona Regional Medical Center, Corona, California, Respondent made grossly incorrect, grossly inconsistent or unintelligible entries in the hospital or patient records as follows:

Patient #1

a. On or about October 21, 2006, at 1830 hours, Respondent signed out on the controlled substances sign-out sheet 100 mg of Demerol when there was no physician's order for Demerol for this patient. Respondent failed to chart the administration or wastage of any portion of the Demerol in any patient or hospital record or otherwise account for the disposition of the drug.

Patient #2

- b. On or about October 21, 2006, at 1340 hours, Respondent signed out on the controlled substances sign-out sheet 100 mg of Demerol when there was no physician's order for Demerol for this patient. Respondent failed to chart the administration or wastage of any portion of the Demerol in any patient or hospital record or otherwise account for the disposition of the drug.
- c. On or about October 21, 2006, at 1450 hours, Respondent signed out on the controlled substances sign-out sheet 100 mg of Demerol when there was no physician's order for Demerol for this patient. Respondent failed to chart the administration or wastage of any portion of the Demerol in any patient or hospital record or otherwise account for the disposition of the drug.
- d. On or about October 21, 2006, at 1750 hours, Respondent signed out on the controlled substances sign-out sheet 100 mg of Demerol when there was no physician's order for Demerol for this patient. Respondent failed to chart the administration or wastage of any

portion of the Demerol in any patient or hospital record or otherwise account for the disposition of the drug. Patient #3 On or about October 21, 2006, at 1600 hours, Respondent signed out on 4 the controlled substances sign-out sheet 100 mg of Demerol when there was no physician's order 5 for Demerol for this patient. Respondent failed to chart the administration or wastage of any 6 portion of the Demerol in any patient or hospital record or otherwise account for the disposition 7 of the drug. 8 On or about October 21, 2006, at 1830 hours, Respondent signed out on f. 9 the controlled substances sign-out sheet 100 mg of Demerol when there was no physician's order 10 for Demerol for this patient. Respondent failed to chart the administration or wastage of any 11 portion of the Demerol in any patient or hospital record or otherwise account for the disposition 12 of the drug. 13 PRAYER 14 WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters 15 herein alleged, and that following the hearing, the Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric 16 Technicians issue a decision: 17 Revoking or suspending Vocational Nurse License Number VN 201392, 1. 18 issued to Jennie Munch, also known as Jennie Stanfield, also known as Jennie Leigh Stanfield 19 and Jennie Leigh Hiatt; 20 Ordering Jennie Munch, also known as Jennie Stanfield, also known as 2. 21 Jennie Leigh Stanfield and Jennie Leigh Hiatt, to pay the Board of Vocational Nursing and 22 Psychiatric Technicians the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, 23 pursuant to Code section 125.3; and, 24 111 25 111 26 27 111 28 111

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Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper. 3. DATED: _April 23, 2008 PERESA BELLO JONES, J.D., M.S.N., R.N. Executive Officer Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians Department of Consumer Affairs State of California Complainant 03595110-SD2007802390 80225866.wpd